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1906.
NEW ZEALAND.

THE RAILWAYS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF).

(MR. SIDEY, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

FRIDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1906.

Ordered, "That a Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to examine and report upon questions relating to the railways, with power to call for persons and papers; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Lawry, Mr. Massey, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Ross, Mr. Sidey, Mr. Witty, Mr. Wood, and the mover."—
(Hon. Mr. HALL-JONES.)

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No. 46.—Petition of SARAH REED, Widow, Auckland.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for the loss of her husband, who was killed on the railway at KIWITAHĪ.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.
13th September, 1906.

No. 4.—Petition of WILLIAM CONYERS, Melbourne, Victoria.

PETITIONER prays for compassionate allowance on account of railway accident.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.
28th September, 1906.

No. 53.—Petition of ELLEN COLTHORPE, Port Chalmers.

PETITIONER prays for compassionate allowance on account of the loss of her husband while on railway service.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.
28th September, 1906.

No. 111.—Petition of ANDREW BEAUMONT, Ripon Street, Lyttelton.

PETITIONER prays for relief on account of injury while working on the railway.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.
16th October, 1906.

No. 1.—Petition of ALFRED BAYLEY and 9 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that land taken from them under the Public Works Act for railway purposes be returned to them.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Public Petitions A to L Committee.

16th October, 1906.

No. 6.—Petition of OLIVIA HAMMER, Palmerston North.

PETITIONER prays for compensation on account of the loss of her late husband by accident at Palmerston North Railway-station.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petitioner be granted the sum of £50 by the Government.

16th October, 1906.

No. 78.—Petition of WILLIAM FRANCE, Henderson, Auckland.

PETITIONER prays that the sum of £20 be granted for a railway-crossing between Swanson and Henderson Railway-stations.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

16th October, 1906.

No. 263.—Petition of CATHERINE ALEXANDER, Kaiapoi.

PETITIONER prays for relief on account of the death of her husband by the railway accident at Chaney's.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

27th October, 1906.

No. 66.—Petition of ALEXANDER STEVENS, Otaitai Bush, Wallace.

PETITIONER prays for relief on account of accident to his foot.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

16th October, 1906.

No. 161.—Petition of WILLIAM SADLER, Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays for compassionate allowance on account of injury to his foot.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

16th October, 1906.

No. 269.—Petition of C. M. BROOKES and 208 Others, Kurow.

PETITIONERS pray for an improved train-service.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

24th October, 1906.

No. 357.—Petition of W. HAMILTON and 217 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a caretaker be appointed to the Kaukapakapa Railway-station.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th October, 1906.

Nos. 210, 213, 223, 232, and 234.—Petitions of H. BRETT and 10 Others, P. CHEAL and 10 Others, J. MACDONALD and 10 Others, S. WOODS and 10 Others, and A. M. MYERS and 10 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the North Island East Coast Railway be authorised.

I am directed to report that, as this is a question of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th October, 1906.

No. 163.—Petition of SAMUEL VAILE, Auckland.

PETITIONER prays for an unconditional trial of a system known as Vaile's stage system.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

24th October, 1906.

Nos. 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, and 421.—Petitions of T. H. BROOKES and 97 Others, O. CUMMINGS and 24 Others, R. GLASSON and 22 Others, J. HAMILTON and 23 Others, S. HODGE and 62 Others, J. MARTIN and 81 Others, G. D. SMITH and 70 Others, and J. WILSON and 45 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that an existing train continue its journey to Drury, and remain there at night instead of Otahuhu.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th October, 1906.

No. 37.—Petition of R. GRIFFITHS, Purakanui.

PETITIONER prays that a flag-station be provided at Purakanui Beach.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th October, 1906.

No. 43.—Petition of DONALD McCALMAN, Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays that the balance of his retiring-allowance be paid to him.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th October, 1906.

No. 64.—Petition of G. S. ROSS, Addington.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for suggesting a protection-plate, also introducing a draw-bar.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th October, 1906.

No. 86.—Petition of A. McINNESS, Otaike.

PETITIONER prays that a surfaceman be placed on Strachan's siding to look after parcels and post-office.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

24th October, 1906.

No. 596.—Petition of ROWLAND WAGHORN, Dunedin.

PETITIONER prays for relief on account of loss sustained in business by the closing of Stuart Street.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

24th October, 1906.

No. 403.—Petition of E. MILLER, Purakanui.

PETITIONER prays that a flag-station be provided at Purakanui Beach.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

Nos. 378 and 662.—Petitions of J. E. BONE and 20,670 Others, Otago Harbour Board; and A. S. ALLAN and 430 Others, Otago Harbour Board.

PETITIONERS pray that the Board be paid full compensation in connection with land taken for railway purposes.

I am directed to report that, owing to its being found impossible within the time at the Committee's disposal to take all the evidence and give the petitions full consideration, the Committee has decided to recommend that the consideration of these petitions be deferred until next session.

25th October, 1906.

No. 647.—Petition of OAMARU CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

PETITIONERS pray for an improved train-service between Oamaru, Ngapara, and Takorahi.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition to the Government for consideration.

27th October, 1906.

No. 175.—Petition of THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Wellington.

PETITIONER prays for compensation.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having been informed that the petitioner has withdrawn his petition, has no recommendation to make.

27th October, 1906.

No. 444.—Petition of THOMAS PATTERSON.

PETITIONER prays for an additional grant of money to that already given, as recommended by a previous Committee.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

27th October, 1906.

No. 587.—Petition of W. W. WEBB.

PETITIONER prays for some monetary relief for loss of position in the service.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

27th October, 1906.

No. 670.—Petition of THOMAS HARLEY, Petone.

PETITIONER prays that interest be allowed him on account of purchase of land by the Government.

I am directed to report that this Committee is of opinion that a recommendation be made to the Government to allow the petitioner the payment of interest for one year at 6 per cent. on £470.

27th October, 1906.

No. 646.—Petition of the OAMARU CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

PETITIONERS pray for an improved train-service between Oamaru and North Otago.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

27th October, 1906.

No. 643.—Petition of M. H. LAIRD, Puketutu.

PETITIONER prays that the railway-line between Puketutu and Taumarunui be fenced in.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

27th October, 1906.

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